

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel Claims 1-4 and add the following new Claims 1-12:

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1. A method of synchronizing audio and video recordings comprising:
  - inserting real time data elements into audio and video recordings during recording procedures;
  - analyzing said real time data elements of said audio and video recordings during reproduction;
  - comparing said real time data elements of said audio and video recordings; and,
  - synchronously reproducing said audio and video recordings as a function of said real time data elements; wherein said real time data elements comprise real time components comprising information pertaining to location and time of a recording.
2. The method as recited in Claim 1 wherein said information pertaining to time of a recording comprises year, month, date, hour, minute, second, and millisecond units.
3. The method as recited in Claim 1 wherein said information pertaining to location of a recording comprises a country code.
4. The method as recited in Claim 1 wherein said real time data elements comprise an extension portion modifiable by an operator.
5. The method as recited in Claim 1 wherein the synchronization of said audio and video recordings is independent with respect to location of said recording.

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6. The method as recited in Claim 1 wherein the synchronization of said audio and video recordings is independent with respect to recording device.

7. The method as recited in Claim 1 wherein the synchronization of said audio and video recordings is independent with respect to recording medium.

8. The method as recited in Claim 6 wherein said recording device comprises a magnetic tape.

9. The method as recited in Claim 6 wherein said recording device comprises a magnetic disk.

10. The method as recited in Claim 6 wherein said recording device comprises an optical disk.

11. The method as recited in Claim 6 wherein said recording device comprises a film tape.

12. The method as recited in Claim 6 wherein said recording device comprises a memory chip.